



## AMENDMENT / RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Applicants : Tamio Yashino et al.  
App. No. : 10/617,332  
Filed : July 10, 2003  
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- (X) Preliminary Amendment in 3 pages.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as indicated below.

**Amendments to the Specification:** Begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**Remarks:** Begin on page 3 of this Preliminary Amendment.